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# STATE OF MONTANA

## Monthly Summary
## of

# TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS AND FATALITIES

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# STANDARD SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In MONTANA (State) For NOVEMBER 1968 (Month or other period)

| 1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT | Number of Accidents: Total | Fatal | Non-Fatal | Property Damage | Number of Persons: Total Killed | Injured: Total | a | b | c |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Collision of Motor vehicle with: Motor Vehicle | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Ran off road | 379 | 11 | 184 | 184 | 11 | 254 | 89 | 123 | 42 |
| 2. Overturned on road | 18 | | 8 | 10 | | 12 | 3 | 5 | 4 |
| 3. Pedestrian | 25 | 2 | 22 | 1 | 2 | 23 | 9 | 8 | 6 |
| 4. Motor vehicle in traffic | 761 | 7 | 197 | 557 | 11 | 333 | 84 | 127 | 122 |
| 5. Parked motor vehicle | 122 | | 21 | 101 | 1 | 28 | 8 | 7 | 13 |
| 6. Railroad train | 5 | | 2 | 3 | | 2 | | 2 | |
| 7. Bicyclist | 3 | | 3 | | | 3 | 1 | 2 | |
| 8. Animal | 129 | | 14 | 115 | | 17 | 6 | 7 | 4 |
| 9. Fixed object | 146 | 2 | 44 | 100 | 2 | 59 | 27 | 23 | 9 |
| 10. Other object | 2 | | | 2 | | | | | |
| 11. Other non-collision | 3 | 1 | 2 | | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | |
| 12. Misc. | | | | | | | | | |
| Totals | 1593 | 23 | 497 | 1073 | 28 | 733 | 228 | 305 | 200 |

Note: The three categories of injuries follow the Manual of Uniform Definitions of Motor Vehicle Accidents.

a. Bleeding wound, distorted member, or any condition that required victim be carried from the scene.

b. Other visible injuries such as bruises, abrasions, swelling, limping, or other painful movement.

c. Complaint of pain, without visible signs of injury, or momentary unconsciousness.

SUMMARY OF Statewide ACCIDENTS

Legally reportable accidents are those involving death, bodily injury or property damage of

$100.00

☐ to the accident

☒ To the property of one person

This summary includes reports and information available on

April 24, 1969

REPORT PREPARED BY

Records & Statistical Sec.
Montana Highway Patrol

| 2A. COMPARATIVE TOTALS | Same Month Last Year: All accidents | Persons killed | Persons injured | This Year to Date: All accidents | Persons killed | Persons injured | Same Period Last Year: All accidents | Persons killed | Persons injured | Change Cumulative Death Record |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Collision of Motor vehicle with: | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Ran off road | 343 | 12 | 214 | 3402 | 110 | 2436 | 3281 | 116 | 2363 | - 5.2 % |
| 2. Overturned on road | 25 | 2 | 26 | 212 | 1 | 152 | 161 | 4 | 129 | - 75 % |
| 3. Pedestrian | 21 | 1 | 21 | 200 | 23 | 191 | 193 | 16 | 184 | + 44 % |
| 4. Motor vehicle in traffic | 636 | 20 | 323 | 7542 | 94 | 3451 | 7241 | 113 | 3594 | - 17 % |
| 5. Parked motor vehicle | 123 | | 19 | 1067 | 2 | 195 | 945 | 2 | 198 | NC % |
| 6. Railroad train | 6 | 2 | 1 | 48 | 8 | 22 | 42 | 11 | 22 | - 17 % |
| 7. Bicyclist | 2 | 1 | 1 | 90 | 2 | 93 | 65 | 1 | 67 | +100 % |
| 8. Animal | 113 | | 14 | 869 | 2 | 139 | 861 | 2 | 133 | NC % |
| 9. Fixed object | 95 | 3 | 51 | 1243 | 19 | 536 | 976 | 17 | 486 | + 11 % |
| 10. Other object | 3 | | | 39 | | 16 | 67 | 1 | 23 | -100 % |
| 11. Other non-collision | | | | 19 | 2 | 13 | 9 | 1 | 10 | +100 % |
| 12. Misc. | 1 | 1 | | 16 | 4 | 13 | 24 | 1 | 5 | +300 % |
| Totals | 1368 | 42 | 670 | 14747 | 267 | 7257 | 13865 | 285 | 7214 | -6.3 % |

| 2B. MILEAGE RATES | This Year To Date | Last Year Same Period | Percent Change |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths | 267 | 285 | -6.3 % |
| 2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage travelled (millions) | 1085 | 3895 | +4.6 % |
| 3. Death rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles | 6.5 | 7.3 | -11.0 % |
| 4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles | 5.5 | 6.0 | -8.3 % |
| 5. Fatal Accidents | 225 | 236 | -4.6 % |
| 6. | | | % |

| 3. LOCATION | A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies: State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc. — Number of Accidents: Total | Fatal | Non-Fatal | Property Damage | Number of Persons: Killed | Injured | B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies. Turnpike, parkway, military, freeway authorities and commissions, etc. — Number of Accidents: Total | Fatal | Non-Fatal | Property Damage | Number of Persons: Killed | Injured |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| URBAN: All incorporated places of 2500 or more people and all areas classified as urban by special rules followed in 1960 census | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. 2,500 to 10,000 | 195 | 1 | 46 | 148 | 1 | 63 | | | | | | |
| 2. 10,000 to 25,000 | 154 | | 48 | 106 | | 65 | | | | | | |
| 3. 25,000 to 50,000 | 111 | | 34 | 77 | | 49 | | | | | | |
| 4. 50,000 to 100,000 | 237 | 1 | 58 | 178 | 3 | 83 | | | | | | |
| 5. 100,000 to 250,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6. 250,000 or more | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 8. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total urban | 697 | 2 | 186 | 509 | 4 | 260 | | | | | | |
| RURAL: All locations other than those above. 1. Controlled access highway | 65 | 1 | 26 | 38 | 1 | 40 | | | | | | |
| 2. State routes & US | 506 | 13 | 176 | 317 | 16 | 259 | | | | | | |
| 3. County routes | 325 | 7 | 109 | 209 | 7 | 174 | | | | | | |
| 4. Other | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5. Not stated | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total rural | 896 | 21 | 311 | 564 | 24 | 473 | | | | | | |
| Total urban and rural | 1593 | 23 | 497 | 1073 | 28 | 733 | | | | | | |

| 5. TIME Hour beginning | Total: All | Fatal | Monday: All | Fatal | Tuesday: All | Fatal | Wednesday: All | Fatal | Thursday: All | Fatal | Friday: All | Fatal | Saturday: All | Fatal | Sunday: All | Fatal | Not stated: All | Fatal |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Before Noon 0. Midnight | 69 | 3 | 8 | 1 | 5 | | 3 | | 6 | | 11 | 1 | 20 | | 16 | 1 | | |
| 1. 1:00 | 43 | | 2 | | 4 | | 1 | | 4 | | 5 | | 14 | | 13 | | | |
| 2. 2:00 | 51 | 1 | 6 | | 1 | | 3 | | 3 | 1 | 5 | | 20 | | 13 | | | |
| 3. 3:00 | 21 | 1 | 1 | | 4 | | 1 | | 1 | | 2 | | 9 | 1 | 3 | | | |
| 4. 4:00 | 15 | | 1 | | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | 5 | | 7 | | | |
| 5. 5:00 | 13 | | 2 | | | | 3 | | 1 | | 1 | | 4 | | 2 | | | |
| 6. 6:00 | 25 | | 8 | | 4 | | 1 | | 2 | | 2 | | 3 | | 5 | | | |
| 7. 7:00 | 54 | 2 | 7 | | 10 | | 4 | | 9 | 1 | 7 | 1 | 9 | | 8 | | | |
| 8. 8:00 | 66 | | 15 | | 11 | | 7 | | 9 | | 9 | | 12 | | 3 | | | |
| 9. 9:00 | 58 | 3 | 9 | | 11 | 2 | 5 | | 4 | | 9 | | 17 | 1 | 3 | | | |
| 10. 10:00 | 62 | | 9 | | 7 | | 8 | | 6 | | 9 | | 12 | | 11 | | | |
| 11. 11:00 | 50 | | 13 | | 5 | | 5 | | 5 | | 11 | | 15 | | 5 | | | |
| 12. Noon | 98 | | 14 | | 18 | | 8 | | 14 | | 19 | | 18 | | 7 | | | |
| After Noon 13. 1:00 | 92 | 3 | 11 | | 16 | | 10 | 1 | 14 | 1 | 7 | | 26 | 1 | 8 | | | |
| 14. 2:00 | 76 | 1 | 13 | | 4 | | 10 | | 10 | | 13 | | 18 | 1 | 8 | | | |
| 15. 3:00 | 94 | 1 | 23 | | 7 | | 9 | | 10 | | 19 | | 17 | | 8 | 1 | | |
| 16. 4:00 | 118 | 2 | 18 | 1 | 13 | | 15 | | 16 | 1 | 25 | | 22 | | 9 | | | |
| 17. 5:00 | 138 | 1 | 14 | | 30 | | 15 | | 14 | | 27 | | 30 | 1 | 8 | | | |
| 18. 6:00 | 88 | | 8 | | 11 | | 13 | | 9 | | 17 | | 15 | | 15 | | | |
| 19. 7:00 | 105 | 1 | 9 | | 12 | 1 | 13 | | 16 | | 29 | | 16 | | 10 | | | |
| 20. 8:00 | 61 | 1 | 8 | | 3 | | 8 | | 8 | | 13 | 1 | 18 | | 5 | | | |
| 21. 9:00 | 61 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 2 | | 11 | | 4 | | 13 | | 22 | | 6 | | | |
| 22. 10:00 | 74 | 1 | 5 | | 9 | | 8 | 1 | 5 | | 27 | | 16 | | 7 | | | |
| 23. 11:00 | 52 | 1 | 1 | | 3 | | 3 | | 5 | | 20 | 1 | 15 | | 5 | | | |
| 24. Not stated | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Totals | 1593 | 23 | 208 | 3 | 191 | 3 | 161 | 2 | 173 | 4 | 301 | 4 | 373 | 5 | 186 | 2 | | |



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## 4 AGE OF CASUALTY

| | Number of Persons Killed | | | | | | | | | Number of Persons Injured | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Total killed | | | Pedestrians | | | Bicyclists | | | Total injured | | | Pedestrians | | | Bicyclists | | |
| | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female |
| 1. 0 to 4 | | | | | | | | | | 10 | 7 | 3 | | | | | | |
| 2. 5 to 9 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | | | | 14 | 13 | 1 | 5 | 5 | | 1 | 1 | |
| 3. 10 to 14 | | | | | | | | | | 37 | 15 | 22 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 2 | |
| 4. 15 to 19 | 2 | 2 | | | | | | | | 200 | 121 | 79 | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | |
| 5. 20 to 24 | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | 111 | 81 | 30 | 3 | 3 | | | | |
| 6. 25 to 34 | 4 | 2 | 2 | | | | | | | 117 | 81 | 36 | 1 | | 1 | | | |
| 7. 35 to 44 | 4 | 2 | 2 | | | | | | | 82 | 51 | 31 | | | | | | |
| 8. 45 to 54 | 3 | 2 | 1 | | | | | | | 82 | 46 | 36 | 3 | | 3 | | | |
| 9. 55 to 64 | 5 | 1 | 4 | 1 | | 1 | | | | 45 | 25 | 20 | | | | | | |
| 10. 65 to 74 | 3 | 2 | 1 | | | | | | | 23 | 9 | 14 | 1 | | 1 | | | |
| 11. 75 & older | 3 | 2 | 1 | | | | | | | 12 | 7 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 2 | | | |
| 12. Not stated | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Totals | 29 | 15 | 12 | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | 733 | 456 | 277 | 24 | 12 | 12 | 3 | 3 | |

6. DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS – An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

| | A. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC. | Total | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents | Property Damage Acc. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| At Intersection | 1. Entering at angle | 269 | 3 | 76 | 190 |
| | 2a. From same direction – both going straight | 4 | | 1 | 3 |
| | b. Same – one turn, one straight | 14 | | 1 | 13 |
| | c. Same – one stopped | 82 | | 21 | 61 |
| | d. Same – all others | | | | |
| | 3a. From opposite direction – both going straight | 1 | | | 1 |
| | b. Same – one left turn, one straight | 71 | | 14 | 57 |
| | c. Same – all others | | | | |
| | 4. Not stated | | | | |
| | Totals | 441 | 3 | 113 | 325 |

| | B. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC. | Total | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents | Property Damage Acc. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Not at Intersection | 1. Going opposite direction – both moving | 78 | 2 | 24 | 52 |
| | 2. Going same direction – both moving | 106 | 2 | 35 | 69 |
| | 3a. One car parked | 119 | | 20 | 99 |
| | b. One car stopped at traffic | 73 | | 19 | 54 |
| | 4a. One car entering parked position | 2 | | | 2 |
| | b. One car leaving parked position | 30 | | 2 | 28 |
| | 5a. One car entering alley or driveway | 9 | | 2 | 7 |
| | b. One car leaving alley or driveway | 23 | | 2 | 21 |
| | 6. All others | | | | |
| | 7. Not stated | | | | |
| | Totals | 440 | 4 | 104 | 332 |

| | C. PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS | All Pedestrian Accidents | Fatal Accidents | | | Non-Fatal Injury Accidents | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | Total | Intersection | Non-intersection | Total | Intersection | Non-intersection |
| | 1. Car going straight | 18 | 2 | | 2 | 16 | 7 | 9 |
| | 2. Car turning right | 1 | | | | 1 | 1 | |
| | 3. Car turning left | 5 | | | | 5 | 5 | |
| | 4. Car backing | | | | | | | |
| | 5. All others | | | | | | | |
| | 6. Not stated | | | | | | | |
| | Totals | 24 | 2 | | 2 | 22 | 13 | 9 |

| | D. ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS | Total | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents | Property Damage Acc. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| At Intersections | Collision with: 1. Non-motor vehicle, train, bicycle, etc. | 2 | | 1 | 1 |
| | 2. Fixed object in road | 23 | | 8 | 15 |
| | 3. Overturned in road | 2 | | | 2 |
| | 4. Left road | 14 | | 6 | 8 |
| Not at Intersections | Collision with: 5. Non-motor vehicle, train, bicycle, etc. | 6 | | 4 | 2 |
| | 6. Fixed object in road | 125 | 2 | 36 | 87 |
| | 7. Overturned in road | 15 | | 7 | 8 |
| | Left road: 8. At curve | 160 | 2 | 78 | 80 |
| | 9. Straight road | 206 | 9 | 100 | 97 |
| | 10. Fell from moving vehicle | 2 | 1 | 1 | |
| | 11. All others | 133 | | 17 | 116 |
| | 12. Not stated | | | | |
| | Totals | 688 | 14 | 258 | 416 |

## 7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE

| | Pedestrians Killed | Ages of Pedestrians Killed and Injured | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Total | 0 to 4 | 5 to 9 | 10 to 14 | 15 to 19 | 20 to 24 | 25 to 44 | 45 to 64 | 65 & Older | Not Stated |
| 1a. Crossing or entering roadway – at intersection | | 14 | | 2 | 4 | 1 | | 1 | 2 | 4 | |
| b. Same – not at intersection | | 9 | | 4 | 2 | | 2 | | 1 | | |
| 2a. Walking in roadway – with traffic | | | | | | | | | | | |
| b. Same – against traffic | 1 | 2 | | | | 1 | | | 1 | | |
| 3. Standing in roadway | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4. Getting on or off other vehicle | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5. Pushing or working on vehicle in roadway | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6. Other working in roadway | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7. Playing in roadway | | 2 | | | 2 | | | | | | |
| 8. Other in roadway | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| 9. Not in roadway | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 10. Not stated | | 1 | | | | | 1 | | | | |
| Totals | 2 | 29 | | 7 | 8 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 4 | |

Drivers of vehicles in proper parking locations are excluded

| 8. AGE OF DRIVER | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. 15 & younger | 56 | | 24 |
| 2. 16 | 106 | 1 | 38 |
| 3. 17 | 129 | | 35 |
| 4. 18 to 19 | 261 | 2 | 76 |
| 5. 20 to 24 | 384 | 2 | 120 |
| 6. 25 to 34 | 439 | 8 | 136 |
| 7. 35 to 44 | 344 | 5 | 102 |
| 8. 45 to 54 | 307 | 5 | 100 |
| 9. 55 to 64 | 202 | 3 | 43 |
| 10. 65 to 74 | 96 | 2 | 22 |
| 11. 75 & older | 58 | 2 | 9 |
| 12. Not stated | | | |
| Totals | 2382 | 30 | 705 |

| 9. SEX OF DRIVER | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Male | 1833 | 24 | 534 |
| 2. Female | 547 | 6 | 170 |
| 3. Not stated | 2 | | 1 |
| Totals | 2382 | 30 | 705 |

| 10. RESIDENCE OF DRIVER | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Local resident | 1879 | 17 | 548 |
| 2. Resident elsewhere in state | 361 | 7 | 123 |
| 3. Nonresident of state | 141 | 6 | 33 |
| 4. Not stated | 1 | | 1 |
| Totals | 2382 | 30 | 705 |

Vehicles in proper parking locations are included

| 12. TYPE OF VEHICLE | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Passenger car | 2083 | 23 | 605 |
| 2. Passenger car and trailer | 5 | | 1 |
| 3. Truck or truck tractor | 361 | 5 | 92 |
| 4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer | 17 | | 7 |
| 5. Other truck combination | 35 | 1 | 18 |
| 6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip. | 1 | | 1 |
| 7. Trolley | 5 | | |
| 8. Bus | | | |
| 9. School bus | 5 | | 1 |
| 10. Motorcycle | 7 | 1 | 6 |
| 11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle | | | |
| 12. Others and not stated | 6 | | 2 |
| Totals | 2525 | 30 | 733 |
| Special vehicles included above | | | |
| 13. Emergency (including privately owned) | 5 | | 1 |
| 14. Military vehicles | 1 | | |
| 15. Other publicly owned vehicles | 6 | | 2 |

| 13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Dry | 990 | 16 | 320 |
| 2. Wet | 218 | 4 | 66 |
| 3. Snowy or icy | 379 | 3 | 111 |
| 4. Other | 5 | | |
| 5. Not stated | 1 | | |
| Totals | 1593 | 23 | 497 |

| 14. KIND OF LOCATION | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Built-up | 708 | | 184 |
| 2. Not built-up | 885 | 23 | 313 |
| 3. Not stated | | | |
| Totals | 1593 | 23 | 497 |

| 15. LIGHT CONDITION | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Daylight | 741 | 10 | 196 |
| 2. Dawn or dusk | 89 | 2 | 24 |
| 3. Darkness | 763 | 11 | 277 |
| 4. Not stated | | | |
| Totals | 1593 | 23 | 497 |

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports.

| 11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Speed too fast | 315 | 8 | 137 |
| 2. Failed to yield right of way | 174 | 3 | 48 |
| 3. Drove left of center | 26 | 1 | 6 |
| 4. Improper overtaking | 16 | 1 | 5 |
| 5. Passed stop sign | | | |
| 6. Disregarded traffic signal | 40 | | 10 |
| 7. Followed too closely | 32 | | 8 |
| 8. Made improper turn | 31 | | 4 |
| 9. Other improper driving | 20 | | 6 |
| 10. Inadequate brakes | 15 | | 7 |
| 11. Improper lights | 4 | | 3 |
| 12. Had been drinking | 52 | 7 | 17 |
| Totals | 725 | 20 | 251 |



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# SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

**SUMMARY REPORT OF** Statewide **ACCIDENTS** **PERIOD** November 1968

| Weather | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Not stated | | | |
| 2. Clear | 1179 | 17 | 384 |
| 3. Raining | 99 | 2 | 27 |
| 4. Snowing | 170 | 1 | 47 |
| 5. Fog | 25 | | 8 |
| 6. Other | 120 | 3 | 31 |
| Total | 1593 | 23 | 497 |

| Character of Road | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Not stated | | | |
| 2. Straight road—level | 1093 | 14 | 322 |
| 3. Straight road—hillcrest | 38 | | 11 |
| 4. Straight road—on grade | 195 | 4 | 62 |
| 5. Straight road—not stated | | | |
| 6. Curve—level | 108 | 4 | 41 |
| 7. Curve—hillcrest | 15 | 1 | 2 |
| 8. Curve—on grade | 119 | | 49 |
| 9. Curve—not stated | 25 | | 10 |
| Total | 1593 | 23 | 497 |

| Occupation of Driver | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Professional or business man | 312 | 2 | 84 |
| 2. Farmers or farm laborers | 150 | 5 | 40 |
| 3. Students | 589 | 3 | 181 |
| 4. Sales persons | 76 | 1 | 27 |
| 5. Commercial drivers | 125 | 1 | 41 |
| 6. Military personnel | 51 | | 15 |
| 7. Housewives & domestic servants | 519 | 4 | 92 |
| 8. Retired & pensioners | 98 | 2 | 28 |
| 9. All other workers | 662 | 12 | 197 |
| Total | 2382 | 30 | 705 |

**The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only**

| Driver Training | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Not stated | 73 | 8 | 19 |
| 2. Received classroom training in school | 9 | | 6 |
| 3. Received behind the wheel training | 2 | | |
| 4. Received both classes of training | 321 | | 114 |
| 5. No driver training | 1264 | 22 | 409 |
| Total | 1669 | 30 | 548 |

| Driver Sobriety | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Not stated | 5 | 1 | 1 |
| 2. HBD—obviously drunk | 38 | 3 | 11 |
| 3. HBD—ability impaired | 46 | | 24 |
| 4. HBD—ability not impaired | 30 | | 9 |
| 5. HBD—not known if impaired | 99 | 5 | 58 |
| 6. Had not been drinking | 1381 | 15 | 415 |
| 7. Not known if drinking | 70 | 6 | 34 |
| Total | 1669 | 30 | 548 |

| Road Defects | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Not stated | | | |
| 2. Defective shoulders | 9 | | 3 |
| 3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps | 8 | | 4 |
| 4. Loose material on surface | 49 | 2 | 21 |
| 5. Under construction or repair | 12 | | 5 |
| 6. Surface oily, slippery when wet | | | |
| 7. Other | 2 | | 1 |
| 8. No defects | 1038 | 21 | 362 |
| Total | 1118 | 23 | 396 |

| Seat Belt Information | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Not stated | 174 | | 30 |
| 2. Equipped with in use | 350 | 1 | 89 |
| 3. Equipped with not in use | 964 | 11 | 306 |
| 4. Not equipped with | 894 | 18 | 280 |
| Total | 2382 | 30 | 705 |
| 1. Not stated | 903 | 4 | 218 |
| 2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj. | 285 | 13 | 182 |
| 3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury | 116 | 1 | 51 |
| 4. SB did not or could not have helped | 1078 | 12 | 254 |
| Total | 2382 | 30 | 705 |

| Additional Accident Facts | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Accidents involving a HMV | 747 | 14 | 267 |
| 2. Accidents not involving a HMV | 371 | 9 | 129 |
| 3. Not stated | | | |
| Total | 1118 | 23 | 396 |
| 1. Not stated | 222 | | 56 |
| 2. Exceeding stated speed limit | 113 | 10 | 60 |
| 3. Exceeding safe speed limit | 1 | | |
| 4. Exceeding safe speed limit Not exceeding legal speed limit | 24 | | 11 |
| 5. No speed violation | 1400 | 20 | 441 |
| Total | 1760 | 30 | 568 |
| 1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination | 23 | | 13 |
| 2. Hit & run accidents | | | |

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# STANDARD SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In MONTANA (State) For NOVEMBER 1968 (Month or other period)

## 1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT

Collision of Motor Vehicle with:

| Motor Vehicle: | Number of Accidents: Total | Fatal | Non-Fatal | Property Damage | Number of Persons: Total Killed | Injured: Total | a | b | c |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Ran off road | 11 | | 7 | 4 | | 7 | 1 | 5 | 1 |
| 2. Overturned on road | 2 | | | 2 | | | | | |
| 3. Pedestrian | 20 | | 20 | | | 21 | 8 | 7 | 6 |
| 4. Motor vehicle in traffic | 500 | 1 | 118 | 381 | 2 | 176 | 31 | 73 | 72 |
| 5. Parked motor vehicle | 91 | | 14 | 77 | 1 | 18 | 7 | 4 | 7 |
| 6. Railroad train | 2 | | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | |
| 7. Bicyclist | 3 | | 3 | | | 3 | 1 | 2 | |
| 8. Animal | 2 | | | 2 | | | | | |
| 9. Fixed object | 66 | 1 | 23 | 42 | 1 | 34 | 17 | 12 | 5 |
| 10. Other object | | | | | | | | | |
| 11. Other non-collision | | | | | | | | | |
| 12. | | | | | | | | | |
| Totals | 697 | 2 | 186 | 509 | 4 | 260 | 65 | 104 | 91 |

Note: The three categories of injuries follow the standard of Uniform Definitions of Motor Vehicle Accidents.

a. Bleeding wound, distorted member, or any condition that required victim be carried from the scene.

b. Other visible injuries such as bruises, abrasions, swelling, limping, or other painful complaint.

c. Complaint of pain, without visible signs of injury; or momentary unconsciousness.

SUMMARY OF Urban ACCIDENTS

Legally reportable accidents are those involving death, bodily injury or property damage of

$100.00 or more

☐ In the accident

☒ To the property of one person

This summary includes reports and information available on

April 34, 1969

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## 2A. COMPARATIVE TOTALS

Collision of Motor Vehicle with:

| | Same Month Last Year: All accidents | Persons killed | Persons injured | This Year to Date: All accidents | Persons killed | Persons injured | Same Period Last Year: All accidents | Persons killed | Persons injured | Change Cumulative Death Record |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Ran off road | 4 | | 2 | 119 | | 66 | 128 | 2 | 81 | -100 % |
| 2. Overturned on road | 2 | | 4 | 17 | | 9 | 11 | | 11 | NC % |
| 3. Pedestrian | 15 | 1 | 14 | 151 | 8 | 155 | 147 | 11 | 138 | - 27 % |
| 4. Motor vehicle in traffic | 382 | 3 | 172 | 4669 | 7 | 1675 | 4239 | 5 | 1705 | + 40 % |
| 5. Parked motor vehicle | 101 | | 14 | 832 | 1 | 153 | 732 | | 156 | +INF % |
| 6. Railroad train | 1 | | | 15 | | 6 | 16 | 2 | 7 | -100 % |
| 7. Bicyclist | 1 | | 1 | 66 | 1 | 71 | 48 | | 50 | +INF % |
| 8. Animal | 44 | 2 | 29 | 14 | | 208 | 3 | | 2 | NC % |
| 9. Fixed object | | | | 505 | 1 | | 366 | 6 | 190 | - 83 % |
| 10. Other object | | | | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | 1 | NC % |
| 11. Other non-collision | | | | 7 | | 5 | 3 | | 2 | NC % |
| 12. Misc | | | | | | | 1 | | | % |
| Totals | 550 | 6 | 236 | 6396 | 18 | 2349 | 5695 | 26 | 2343 | - 31 % |

## 2B. MILEAGE RATES

| | This Year To Date | Last Year Same Period | Percent Change |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths | 18 | 26 | -31 % |
| 2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (millions) | | N A | % |
| 3. Death rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles | | N A | % |
| 4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles | | N A | % |
| 5. Fatal Accidents | 15 | 22 | -32 % |
| 6. | | | % |

## 3. LOCATION

| | A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies: State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc. — Number of Accidents: Total | Fatal | Non-Fatal | Property Damage | Number of Persons: Killed | Injured | B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies: Turnpike, parkway, military, freeway authorities and commissions, etc. — Number of Accidents: Total | Fatal | Non-Fatal | Property Damage | Number of Persons: Killed | Injured |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| URBAN: All incorporated places of 2500 or more people and all areas classified as urban by specific size required (1960 or later) 1. 2,500 to 10,000 | 195 | 1 | 46 | 148 | 1 | 63 | | | | | | |
| 2. 10,000 to 25,000 | 154 | | 48 | 106 | | 65 | | | | | | |
| 3. 25,000 to 50,000 | 111 | | 34 | 77 | | 49 | | | | | | |
| 4. 50,000 to 100,000 | 237 | 1 | 58 | 178 | 3 | 83 | | | | | | |
| 5. 100,000 to 250,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6. 250,000 or more | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 8. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total urban | 697 | 2 | 186 | 509 | 4 | 260 | | | | | | |
| RURAL: All locations other than those above. 1. Controlled access highway | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2. State routes | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3. County routes | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4. Other | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5. Not stated | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total rural | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total urban and rural | | | | | | | | | | | | |

## 5. TIME

| Hour beginning | Total: All | Fatal | Monday: All | Fatal | Tuesday: All | Fatal | Wednesday: All | Fatal | Thursday: All | Fatal | Friday: All | Fatal | Saturday: All | Fatal | Sunday: All | Fatal | Not stated: All | Fatal |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Before Noon 0. Midnight | 21 | | 2 | | | | 2 | | 1 | | 5 | | 6 | | 5 | | | |
| 1. 1:00 | 16 | | | | 2 | | 1 | | 1 | | | | 7 | | 5 | | | |
| 2. 2:00 | 16 | | 1 | | | | 1 | | | | 1 | | 8 | | 5 | | | |
| 3. 3:00 | 6 | | | | | | | | 1 | | 1 | | 4 | | | | | |
| 4. 4:00 | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | | 1 | | 2 | | | |
| 5. 5:00 | 2 | | | | | | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | | | | |
| 6. 6:00 | 6 | | 1 | | 2 | | | | | | | | 1 | | 2 | | | |
| 7. 7:00 | 21 | | 4 | | 6 | | 1 | | 3 | | 5 | | 2 | | | | | |
| 8. 8:00 | 33 | | 7 | | 6 | | 5 | | 7 | | 6 | | 2 | | | | | |
| 9. 9:00 | 22 | | 3 | | 2 | | 4 | | | | 3 | | 9 | | 1 | | | |
| 10. 10:00 | 25 | | 3 | | 4 | | 3 | | 3 | | 2 | | 6 | | 4 | | | |
| 11. 11:00 | 36 | | 10 | | 2 | | 2 | | 4 | | 7 | | 7 | | 4 | | | |
| After Noon 12. Noon | 57 | | 9 | | 10 | | 4 | | 9 | | 11 | | 10 | | 4 | | | |
| 13. 1:00 | 53 | 1 | 9 | | 12 | | 7 | | 5 | 1 | 2 | | 15 | | 3 | | | |
| 14. 2:00 | 43 | | 11 | | 4 | | 8 | | 7 | | 4 | | 8 | | 1 | | | |
| 15. 3:00 | 45 | | 12 | | 3 | | 5 | | 3 | | 11 | | 8 | | 3 | | | |
| 16. 4:00 | 65 | | 8 | | 7 | | 11 | | 6 | | 16 | | 16 | | 1 | | | |
| 17. 5:00 | 56 | | 7 | | 12 | | 5 | | 7 | | 12 | | 12 | | 1 | | | |
| 18. 6:00 | 26 | | 3 | | 3 | | 4 | | 4 | | 4 | | 5 | | 3 | | | |
| 19. 7:00 | 49 | | 4 | | 4 | | 6 | | 10 | | 13 | | 8 | | 4 | | | |
| 20. 8:00 | 31 | | 4 | | 1 | | 4 | | 2 | | 7 | | 11 | | 2 | | | |
| 21. 9:00 | 20 | | | | 1 | | 4 | | 1 | | 3 | | 9 | | 2 | | | |
| 22. 10:00 | 26 | 1 | | | 3 | | 1 | 1 | 5 | | 10 | | 6 | | 1 | | | |
| 23. 11:00 | 19 | | | | 1 | | 2 | | 2 | | 7 | | 7 | | | | | |
| 24. Not stated | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Totals | 697 | 2 | 98 | | 85 | | 81 | 1 | 81 | 1 | 130 | | 169 | | 53 | | | |



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## 4 AGE OF CASUALTY

| | Number of Persons Killed | | | | | | | | | Number of Persons Injured | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Total Killed | | | Pedestrians | | | Bicyclists | | | Total Injured | | | Pedestrians | | | Bicyclists | | |
| | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female |
| 1. 0 to 4 | | | | | | | | | | 8 | 6 | 2 | | | | | | |
| 2. 5 to 9 | | | | | | | | | | 8 | 8 | | 4 | 4 | | 1 | 1 | |
| 3. 10 to 14 | | | | | | | | | | 19 | 7 | 12 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 2 | |
| 4. 15 to 19 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | 77 | 31 | 46 | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | |
| 5. 20 to 24 | | | | | | | | | | 42 | 25 | 17 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| 6. 25 to 34 | | | | | | | | | | 31 | 20 | 11 | 1 | | 1 | | | |
| 7. 35 to 44 | | | | | | | | | | 21 | 9 | 12 | | | | | | |
| 8. 45 to 54 | | | | | | | | | | 27 | 12 | 15 | 3 | | 3 | | | |
| 9. 55 to 64 | | | | | | | | | | 11 | 3 | 8 | | | | | | |
| 10. 65 to 74 | | | | | | | | | | 11 | 4 | 7 | 1 | | 1 | | | |
| 11. 75 & older | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | 5 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | | | |
| 12. Not stated | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Totals | 5 | 2 | 1 | | | | | | | 260 | 128 | 132 | 21 | 9 | 12 | 3 | 3 | |

## 6 DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS – An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

| A. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC. | Total | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents | Property Damage Acc. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| At Intersection: 1. Entering at angle | 207 | 1 | 60 | 146 |
| 2a. From same direction – both going straight | 4 | | 1 | 3 |
| b. Same – one turn, one straight | 14 | | 1 | 13 |
| c. Same – one stopped | 82 | | 21 | 61 |
| d. Same – all others | | | | |
| 3a. From opposite direction – both going straight | 1 | | | 1 |
| b. Same – one left turn, one straight | 62 | | 12 | 50 |
| c. Same – all others | | | | |
| 4. Not stated | | | | |
| Totals | 370 | 1 | 95 | 274 |

| B. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC. | Total | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents | Property Damage Acc. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Not at Intersection: 1. Going opposite direction – both moving | 13 | | 5 | 8 |
| 2. Going same direction – both moving | 19 | | 3 | 16 |
| 3a. One car parked | 91 | | 14 | 77 |
| b. One car stopped in traffic | 44 | | 9 | 35 |
| 4a. One car entering parked position | 2 | | | 2 |
| b. One car leaving parked position | 20 | | 2 | 18 |
| 5a. One car entering alley or driveway | 9 | | 2 | 7 |
| b. One car leaving alley or driveway | 23 | | 2 | 21 |
| 6. All others | | | | |
| 7. Not stated | | | | |
| Totals | 221 | | 37 | 184 |

| C. PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS | All Pedestrian Accidents | Fatal Accidents | | Non-Fatal Injury Accidents | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Total | Intersection | Non-intersection | Total | Intersection | Non-intersection |
| 1. Car going straight | 14 | | | | 14 | 7 | 7 |
| 2. Car turning right | 1 | | | | 1 | 1 | |
| 3. Car turning left | 5 | | | | 5 | 5 | |
| 4. Car backing | | | | | | | |
| 5. All others | | | | | | | |
| 6. Not stated | | | | | | | |
| Totals | 20 | | | | 20 | 13 | 7 |

| D. ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS | | Total | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents | Property Damage Acc. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| At Intersections: Collision with | 1. Non-motor vehicle, train, bicycle, etc. | 2 | | 1 | 1 |
| | 2. Fixed object in road | 23 | | 8 | 15 |
| 3. Overturned in road | | 2 | | | 2 |
| 4. Left road | | 1 | | | 1 |
| Not at Intersections: Collision with | 5. Non-motor vehicle, train, bicycle, etc. | 3 | | 3 | |
| | 6. Fixed object in road | 43 | 1 | 15 | 27 |
| 7. Overturned in road | | | | | |
| Left road | 8. At curve | 6 | | 5 | 1 |
| | 9. Straight road | 4 | | 2 | 2 |
| 10. Fell from moving vehicle | | | | | |
| 11. All others | | 2 | | | 2 |
| 12. Not stated | | | | | |
| Totals | | 86 | 1 | 34 | 51 |

## 7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE

| | Pedestrians Killed | Ages of Pedestrians Killed and Injured | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Total | 0 to 4 | 5 to 9 | 10 to 14 | 15 to 19 | 20 to 24 | 25 to 44 | 45 to 64 | 65 & Older | Not Stated |
| 1a. Crossing or entering roadway - at intersection | | 14 | | 2 | 4 | 1 | | 1 | 2 | 4 | |
| b. Same – not at intersection | | 7 | | 3 | 2 | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| 2a. Walking in roadway – with traffic | | | | | | | | | | | |
| b. Same – against traffic | | 1 | | | | 1 | | | | | |
| 3. Standing in roadway | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4. Getting on or off other vehicle | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5. Pushing or working on vehicle in roadway | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6. Other working in roadway | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7. Playing in roadway | | 2 | | | 2 | | | | | | |
| 8. Other in roadway | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 9. Not in roadway | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 10. Not stated | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Totals | | 24 | | 5 | 8 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 4 | |

Drivers of vehicles in proper parking locations are excluded

| 8. AGE OF DRIVER | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. 15 & younger | 35 | | 16 |
| 2. 16 | 57 | | 23 |
| 3. 17 | 77 | | 19 |
| 4. 18 to 19 | 142 | 1 | 31 |
| 5. 20 to 24 | 226 | | 63 |
| 6. 25 to 34 | 193 | 1 | 55 |
| 7. 35 to 44 | 152 | | 34 |
| 8. 45 to 54 | 139 | | 39 |
| 9. 55 to 64 | 100 | | 18 |
| 10. 65 to 74 | 60 | | 11 |
| 11. 75 & older | 38 | 1 | 5 |
| 12. Not stated | | | |
| Totals | 1219 | 3 | 314 |

| 9. SEX OF DRIVER | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Male | 842 | 3 | 213 |
| 2. Female | 375 | | 100 |
| 3. Not stated | 2 | | 1 |
| Totals | 1219 | 3 | 314 |

| 10. RESIDENCE OF DRIVER | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Local residence | 1132 | 3 | 296 |
| 2. Residing elsewhere in state | 63 | | 13 |
| 3. Non-residence of state | 23 | | 4 |
| 4. Not stated | 1 | | 1 |
| Totals | 1219 | 3 | 314 |

Vehicles in proper parking locations are included

| 12. TYPE OF VEHICLE | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Passenger car | 1178 | 1 | 307 |
| 2. Passenger car and trailer | | | |
| 3. Truck or truck tractor | 132 | 1 | 17 |
| 4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer | 10 | | 5 |
| 5. Other truck combination | | | |
| 6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip. | | | |
| 7. Taxicab | 4 | | |
| 8. Bus | | | |
| 9. School bus | 2 | | 1 |
| 10. Motorcycle | 6 | 1 | 5 |
| 11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle | | | |
| 12. Others and not stated | 2 | | 1 |
| Totals | 1334 | 3 | 336 |
| Special vehicles included above | | | |
| 13. Emergency (including privately owned) | | | |
| 14. Military vehicles | | | |
| 15. Other publicly owned vehicles | 3 | | |

| 13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Dry | 456 | 2 | 128 |
| 2. Wet | 107 | | 27 |
| 3. Snowy or icy | 134 | | 31 |
| 4. Other | | | |
| 5. Not stated | | | |
| Totals | 697 | 2 | 186 |

| 14. KIND OF LOCATION | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Built-up | 678 | | 179 |
| 2. Not built-up | 19 | 2 | 7 |
| 3. Not stated | | | |
| Totals | 697 | 2 | 186 |

| 15. LIGHT CONDITION | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Daylight | 380 | 1 | 89 |
| 2. Dawn or dusk | 34 | | 10 |
| 3. Darkness | 283 | 1 | 87 |
| 4. Not stated | | | |
| Totals | 697 | 2 | 186 |

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports.

| 11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Speed too fast | 107 | 2 | 28 |
| 2. Failed to yield right of way | 129 | 1 | 36 |
| 3. Drove left of center | 4 | | 1 |
| 4. Improper overtaking | 3 | | 1 |
| 5. Passed stop sign | | | |
| 6. Disregarded traffic signal | 32 | | 7 |
| 7. Followed too closely | 22 | | 4 |
| 8. Made improper turn | 23 | | 2 |
| 9. Other improper driving | 9 | | 2 |
| 10. Inadequate brakes | 7 | | 3 |
| 11. Improper lights | | | |
| 12. Had been drinking | 24 | 1 | 7 |
| Totals | 360 | 4 | 91 |



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# SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

**SUMMARY REPORT OF** Urban **ACCIDENTS** **PERIOD** November 1968

| Weather | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Not stated | | | |
| 2. Clear | 538 | 1 | 153 |
| 3. Raining | 51 | | 13 |
| 4. Snowing | 62 | | 13 |
| 5. Fog | 4 | | |
| 6. Other | 42 | 1 | 7 |
| Total | 697 | 2 | 186 |

| Character of Road | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Not stated | | | |
| 2. Straight road—level | 589 | 2 | 151 |
| 3. Straight road—hillcrest | 7 | | 2 |
| 4. Straight road—on grade | 74 | | 21 |
| 5. Straight road—not stated | | | |
| 6. Curve—level | 20 | | 9 |
| 7. Curve—hillcrest | 1 | | 1 |
| 8. Curve—on grade | 6 | | 2 |
| 9. Curve—not stated | | | |
| Total | 697 | 2 | 186 |

| Occupation of Driver | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Professional or business man | 200 | 1 | 48 |
| 2. Farmers or farm laborers | 27 | | 6 |
| 3. Students | 349 | 1 | 101 |
| 4. Sales persons | 36 | | 12 |
| 5. Commercial drivers | 43 | | 11 |
| 6. Military personnel | 25 | | 4 |
| 7. Housewives & domestic servants | 215 | | 50 |
| 8. Retired & pensioners | 60 | 1 | 14 |
| 9. All other workers | 264 | | 68 |
| Total | 1219 | 3 | 314 |

**The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only**

| Driver Training | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Not stated | 20 | 1 | 2 |
| 2. Received classroom training in school | 3 | | 2 |
| 3. Received behind the wheel training | 2 | | |
| 4. Received both classes of training | 162 | | 57 |
| 5. No driver training | 602 | 2 | 140 |
| Total | 789 | 3 | 201 |

| Driver Sobriety | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Not stated | 3 | | 1 |
| 2. HBD—obviously drunk | 21 | | 7 |
| 3. HBD—ability impaired | 6 | | 1 |
| 4. HBD—ability not impaired | 13 | | 4 |
| 5. HBD—not known if impaired | 22 | 1 | 8 |
| 6. Had not been drinking | 717 | 2 | 177 |
| 7. Not known if drinking | 7 | | 3 |
| Total | 789 | 3 | 201 |

| Road Defects | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Not stated | | | |
| 2. Defective shoulders | | | |
| 3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps | 5 | | 1 |
| 4. Loose material on surface | 4 | | 1 |
| 5. Under construction or repair | 1 | | |
| 6. Surface oily, slippery when wet | | | |
| 7. Other | | | |
| 8. No defects | 435 | 2 | 119 |
| Total | 445 | 2 | 121 |

| Seat Belt Information | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Not stated | 45 | | 8 |
| 2. Equipped with in use | 158 | | 30 |
| 3. Equipped with not in use | 568 | 1 | 154 |
| 4. Not equipped with | 448 | 2 | 122 |
| Total | 1219 | 3 | 314 |
| 1. Not stated | 471 | 2 | 125 |
| 2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj. | 21 | 1 | 16 |
| 3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury | 9 | | 1 |
| 4. SB did not or could not have helped | 718 | | 172 |
| Total | 1219 | 3 | 314 |

| Additional Accident Facts | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Accidents involving a HMV | 354 | 2 | 90 |
| 2. Accidents not involving a HMV | 91 | | 31 |
| 3. Not stated | | | |
| Total | 445 | 2 | 121 |
| 1. Not stated | 174 | | 40 |
| 2. Exceeding stated speed limit | 18 | 1 | 8 |
| 3. Exceeding safe speed limit | 1 | | |
| 4. Exceeding safe speed limit Not exceeding legal speed limit | 1 | | |
| 5. No speed violation | 667 | 2 | 168 |
| Total | 861 | 3 | 216 |
| 1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination | 6 | | 4 |
| 2. Hit & run accidents | | | |

# STANDARD SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In MONTANA (State) For NOVEMBER 1968 (Month or other period)

| 1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT | Number of Accidents | | | | Number of Persons | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Total | Fatal | Non-Fatal | Property Damage | Total Killed | Injured | | | |
| | | | | | | Total | a | b | c |
| Motor Vehicle: | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Ran off road | 368 | 11 | 177 | 180 | 11 | 247 | 88 | 118 | 41 |
| 2. Overturned on road | 16 | | 8 | 8 | | 12 | 3 | 5 | 4 |
| Collision of Motor vehicle with: 3. Pedestrian | 5 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | |
| Collision of Motor vehicle with: 4. Motor vehicle in traffic | 261 | 6 | 79 | 176 | 9 | 157 | 53 | 54 | 50 |
| Collision of Motor vehicle with: 5. Parked motor vehicle | 31 | | 7 | 24 | | 10 | 1 | 3 | 6 |
| Collision of Motor vehicle with: 6. Railroad train | 3 | | 1 | 2 | | 1 | | 1 | |
| Collision of Motor vehicle with: 7. Bicyclist | | | | | | | | | |
| Collision of Motor vehicle with: 8. Animal | 127 | | 14 | 113 | | 17 | 6 | 7 | 4 |
| Collision of Motor vehicle with: 9. Fixed object | 80 | 1 | 21 | 58 | 1 | 25 | 10 | 11 | 4 |
| 10. Other object | 2 | | | 2 | | | | | |
| 11. Other non-collision | 3 | 1 | 2 | | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | |
| 12. Misc. | | | | | | | | | |
| Totals | 896 | 21 | 311 | 564 | 24 | 473 | 163 | 201 | 109 |

Note: The three categories of injuries follow the Manual of Uniform Definitions of Motor Vehicle Accidents.

a. Bleeding wound, distorted member, or any condition that required victim be carried from the scene.

b. Other visible injuries such as bruises, abrasions, swelling, limping, or other painful movement

c. Complaint of pain, without visible signs of injury, or momentary unconsciousness.

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☒ To the property of one person

This summary includes reports and information available on

April 24, 1969

REPORT PREPARED BY

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| 2A. COMPARATIVE TOTALS | Same Month Last Year | | | This Year to Date | | | Same Period Last Year | | | Change Cumulative Death Record |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | All accidents | Persons killed | Persons injured | All accidents | Persons killed | Persons injured | All accidents | Persons killed | Persons injured | |
| 1. Ran off road | 339 | 12 | 212 | 3283 | 110 | 2370 | 3153 | 114 | 2282 | -3.5% |
| 2. Overturned on road | 23 | 2 | 22 | 195 | 1 | 143 | 150 | 4 | 117 | - 75% |
| 3. Pedestrian | 6 | | 7 | 49 | 15 | 36 | 46 | 5 | 48 | + 20% |
| 4. Motor vehicle in traffic | 254 | 17 | 151 | 2873 | 87 | 1776 | 3002 | 108 | 1889 | - 19% |
| 5. Parked motor vehicle | 22 | | 5 | 235 | 1 | 42 | 213 | 2 | 42 | - 50% |
| 6. Railroad train | 5 | 2 | 1 | 33 | 8 | 16 | 26 | 9 | 15 | - 11% |
| 7. Bicyclist | 1 | 1 | | 24 | 1 | 22 | 17 | 1 | 17 | NC% |
| 8. Animal | 113 | | 14 | 855 | 2 | 139 | 858 | 2 | 131 | NC% |
| 9. Fixed object | 51 | 1 | 22 | 738 | 18 | 328 | 610 | 11 | 296 | + 63% |
| 10. Other object | 3 | | | 38 | | 15 | 66 | 1 | 22 | -100% |
| 11. Other non-collision | | | | 12 | 2 | 8 | 6 | 1 | 8 | +100% |
| 12. Misc. | 1 | 1 | | 16 | 4 | 13 | 23 | 1 | 8 | +300% |
| Totals | 818 | 36 | 434 | 8351 | 249 | 4908 | 8170 | 259 | 4871 | -3.9% |

| 2B. MILEAGE RATES | This Year To Date | Last Year Same Period | Percent Change |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Motor vehicle traffic deaths | 249 | 259 | -3.9% |
| 2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (millions) | | N A | % |
| 3. Death rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles | | N A | % |
| 4. Fatal accident rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles | | N A | % |
| 5. Fatal Accidents | 210 | 214 | -1.9% |
| 6. | | | % |

| 3. LOCATION | A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies: State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc. | | | | | | B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies. Turnpike, parkway, military, freeway authorities and commissions, etc. | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Number of Accidents | | | | Number of Persons | | Number of Accidents | | | | Number of Persons | |
| | Total | Fatal | Non-Fatal | Property Damage | Killed | Injured | Total | Fatal | Non-Fatal | Property Damage | Killed | Injured |
| URBAN: All incorporated places of 2500 or more people and all areas classified as urban by special rules followed in 1940 census: 1. 2,500 to 10,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2. 10,000 to 25,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3. 25,000 to 50,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4. 50,000 to 100,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5. 100,000 to 250,000 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6. 250,000 or more | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 8. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total urban | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| RURAL: All locations other than those above. 1. Controlled access highway | 65 | 1 | 26 | 38 | 1 | 40 | | | | | | |
| 2. State routes & US | 506 | 13 | 176 | 317 | 16 | 259 | | | | | | |
| 3. County routes | 325 | 7 | 109 | 209 | 7 | 174 | | | | | | |
| 4. Other | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5. Not stated | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total rural | 896 | 21 | 311 | 564 | 24 | 473 | | | | | | |
| Total urban and rural | | | | | | | | | | | | |

| 5. TIME | Total | | Monday | | Tuesday | | Wednesday | | Thursday | | Friday | | Saturday | | Sunday | | Not stated | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Hour beginning | All | Fatal | All | Fatal | All | Fatal | All | Fatal | All | Fatal | All | Fatal | All | Fatal | All | Fatal | All | Fatal |
| Before Noon: 0. Midnight | 48 | 3 | 6 | 1 | 5 | | 1 | | 5 | | 6 | 1 | 14 | | 11 | 1 | | |
| 1. 1:00 | 27 | | 2 | | 2 | | | | 3 | | 5 | | 7 | | 8 | | | |
| 2. 2:00 | 35 | 1 | 5 | | 1 | | 2 | | 3 | 1 | 4 | | 12 | | 8 | | | |
| 3. 3:00 | 15 | 1 | 1 | | 4 | | 1 | | | | 1 | | 5 | 1 | 3 | | | |
| 4. 4:00 | 12 | | 1 | | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | 4 | | 5 | | | |
| 5. 5:00 | 11 | | 2 | | | | 2 | | 1 | | 1 | | 3 | | 2 | | | |
| 6. 6:00 | 19 | | 7 | | 2 | | 1 | | 2 | | 2 | | 2 | | 3 | | | |
| 7. 7:00 | 33 | 2 | 3 | | 4 | | 3 | | 6 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 7 | | 8 | | | |
| 8. 8:00 | 33 | | 8 | | 5 | | 2 | | 2 | | 3 | | 10 | | 3 | | | |
| 9. 9:00 | 36 | 3 | 6 | | 9 | 2 | 1 | | 4 | | 6 | | 8 | 1 | 2 | | | |
| 10. 10:00 | 37 | | 6 | | 3 | | 5 | | 3 | | 7 | | 6 | | 7 | | | |
| 11. 11:00 | 23 | | 3 | | 3 | | 3 | | 1 | | 4 | | 8 | | 1 | | | |
| After Noon: 12. Noon | 41 | | 5 | | 8 | | 4 | | 5 | | 8 | | 8 | | 3 | | | |
| 13. 1:00 | 39 | 2 | 2 | | 4 | | 3 | 1 | 9 | | 5 | | 11 | 1 | 5 | | | |
| 14. 2:00 | 33 | 1 | 2 | | | | 2 | | 3 | | 9 | | 10 | 1 | 7 | | | |
| 15. 3:00 | 49 | 1 | 11 | | 4 | | 4 | | 7 | | 8 | | 9 | | 6 | 1 | | |
| 16. 4:00 | 53 | 2 | 10 | 1 | 6 | | 4 | | 10 | 1 | 9 | | 6 | | 8 | | | |
| 17. 5:00 | 82 | 1 | 7 | | 18 | | 10 | | 7 | | 15 | | 18 | | 7 | | | |
| 18. 6:00 | 62 | | 5 | | 8 | | 9 | | 5 | | 13 | | 10 | | 12 | | | |
| 19. 7:00 | 56 | 1 | 5 | | 8 | 1 | 7 | | 6 | | 16 | | 8 | | 6 | | | |
| 20. 8:00 | 30 | 1 | 4 | | 2 | | 4 | | 4 | | 6 | 1 | 7 | | 3 | | | |
| 21. 9:00 | 41 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | | 7 | | 3 | | 10 | | 13 | | 4 | | | |
| 22. 10:00 | 48 | | 5 | | 6 | | 4 | | | | 17 | | 10 | | 6 | | | |
| 23. 11:00 | 33 | 1 | 1 | | 2 | | 1 | | 3 | | 13 | 1 | 8 | | 5 | | | |
| 24. Not stated | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Totals | 896 | 21 | 110 | 3 | 106 | 3 | 80 | 1 | 92 | 3 | 171 | 4 | 204 | 5 | 133 | 2 | | |



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| 4 AGE OF CASUALTY | Number of Persons Killed | | | | | | | | | Number of Persons Injured | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Total killed | | | Pedestrians | | | Bicyclists | | | Total injured | | | Pedestrians | | | Bicyclists | | |
| | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female |
| 1. 0 to 4 | | | | | | | | | | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | |
| 2. 5 to 9 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | | | | 6 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| 3. 10 to 14 | | | | | | | | | | 18 | 8 | 10 | | | | | | |
| 4. 15 to 19 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | 123 | 90 | 22 | | | | | | |
| 5. 20 to 24 | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | 69 | 56 | 13 | 2 | 2 | | | | |
| 6. 25 to 34 | 4 | 2 | 2 | | | | | | | 86 | 61 | 25 | | | | | | |
| 7. 35 to 44 | 4 | 2 | 2 | | | | | | | 61 | 42 | 19 | | | | | | |
| 8. 45 to 54 | 3 | 2 | 1 | | | | | | | 55 | 34 | 21 | | | | | | |
| 9. 55 to 64 | 5 | 1 | 4 | 1 | | 1 | | | | 34 | 22 | 12 | | | | | | |
| 10. 65 to 74 | 3 | 2 | 1 | | | | | | | 12 | 5 | 7 | | | | | | |
| 11. 75 & older | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | 7 | 4 | 3 | | | | | | |
| 12. Not stated | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Totals | 24 | 13 | 11 | 2 | 1 | 1 | | | | 473 | 328 | 145 | 3 | 3 | | | | |

6. DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS – An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road.

| A. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC. | | Total | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents | Property Damage Acc. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| At Intersection | 1. Entering at angle | 62 | 2 | 16 | 44 |
| | 2a. From same direction – both going straight | | | | |
| | b. Same – one turn, one straight | | | | |
| | c. Same – one stopped | | | | |
| | d. Same – all others | | | | |
| | 3a. From opposite direction – both going straight | | | | |
| | b. Same – one left turn, one straight | 9 | | 2 | 7 |
| | c. Same – all others | | | | |
| | 4. Not stated | | | | |
| | Totals | 71 | 2 | 18 | 51 |

| C PEOESTRIAN ACCIDENTS | All Pedestrian Accidents | Fatal Accidents | | | Non-Fatal Injury Accidents | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Total | Intersection | Non-intersection | Total | Intersection | Non-intersection |
| 1. Car going straight | 4 | 2 | | 2 | 2 | | 2 |
| 2. Car turning right | | | | | | | |
| 3. Car turning left | | | | | | | |
| 4. Car backing | | | | | | | |
| 5. All others | | | | | | | |
| 6. Not stated | | | | | | | |
| Totals | 4 | 2 | | 2 | 2 | | 2 |

| B. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC. | | Total | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents | Property Damage Acc. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Not at Intersection | 1. Going opposite direction – both moving | 65 | 2 | 19 | 44 |
| | 2. Going same direction – both moving | 87 | 2 | 32 | 53 |
| | 3a. One car parked | 28 | | 6 | 22 |
| | b. One car stopped in traffic | 29 | | 10 | 19 |
| | 4a. One car entering parked position | | | | |
| | b. One car leaving parked position | 10 | | | 10 |
| | 5a. One car entering alley or driveway | | | | |
| | b. One car leaving alley or driveway | | | | |
| | 6. All others | | | | |
| | 7. Not stated | | | | |
| | Totals | 219 | 4 | 67 | 148 |

| D ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS | | | Total | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents | Property Damage Acc. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| At Intersection | Collision with | 1. Non-motor vehicle – train, bicycle, etc. | | | | |
| | | 2. Fixed object in road | | | | |
| | | 3. Overturned in road | | | | |
| | | 4. Left road | 13 | | 6 | 7 |
| Not at Intersection | Collision with | 5. Non-motor vehicle – train, bicycle, etc. | 3 | | 1 | 2 |
| | | 6. Fixed object in road | 82 | 1 | 21 | 60 |
| | | 7. Overturned in road | 15 | | 7 | 8 |
| | Left road | 8. At curve | 154 | 2 | 73 | 79 |
| | | 9. Straight road | 202 | 9 | 98 | 95 |
| 10. Fell from moving vehicle | | | 2 | 1 | 1 | |
| 11. All others | | | 131 | | 17 | 114 |
| 12. Not stated | | | | | | |
| Totals | | | 602 | 13 | 224 | 365 |

| 7. PEOESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE | Pedestrians Killed | Ages of Pedestrians Killed and Injured | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Total | 0 to 4 | 5 to 9 | 10 to 14 | 15 to 19 | 20 to 24 | 25 to 44 | 45 to 64 | 65 & Older | Not Stated |
| 1a. Crossing or entering roadway - at intersection | | | | | | | | | | | |
| b. Same – not at intersection | | 2 | | 1 | | | 1 | | | | |
| 2a. Walking in roadway – with traffic | | | | | | | | | | | |
| b. Same – against traffic | 1 | 1 | | | | | | 1 | | | |
| 3. Standing in roadway | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4. Getting on or off other vehicle | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5. Pushing or working on vehicle in roadway | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6. Other working in roadway | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7. Playing in roadway | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 8. Other in roadway | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| 9. Not in roadway | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 10. Not stated | | 1 | | | | | 1 | | | | |
| Totals | 2 | 5 | | 2 | | | 2 | | 1 | | |

Drivers of vehicles in proper parking locations are excluded

| 8. AGE OF DRIVER | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. 15 & younger | 21 | | 8 |
| 2. 16 | 49 | 1 | 15 |
| 3. 17 | 52 | | 16 |
| 4. 18 to 19 | 119 | 1 | 45 |
| 5. 20 to 24 | 158 | 2 | 57 |
| 6. 25 to 34 | 246 | 7 | 81 |
| 7. 35 to 44 | 192 | 5 | 68 |
| 8. 45 to 54 | 168 | 5 | 61 |
| 9. 55 to 64 | 102 | 3 | 25 |
| 10. 65 to 74 | 36 | 2 | 11 |
| 11. 75 & older | 20 | 1 | 4 |
| 12. Not stated | | | |
| Totals | 1163 | 27 | 391 |

| 9 SEX OF DRIVER | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Male | 991 | 21 | 321 |
| 2. Female | 172 | 6 | 70 |
| 3. Not stated | | | |
| Totals | 1163 | 27 | 391 |

| 10 RESIDENCE OF DRIVER | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Local resident | 747 | 14 | 252 |
| 2. Resident elsewhere in state | 298 | 7 | 110 |
| 3. Non-resident of state | 118 | 6 | 29 |
| 4. Not stated | | | |
| Totals | 1163 | 27 | 391 |

Vehicles in proper parking locations are included

| 12. TYPE OF VEHICLE | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Passenger car | 905 | 22 | 298 |
| 2. Passenger car and trailer | 5 | | 1 |
| 3. Truck or truck tractor | 229 | 4 | 75 |
| 4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer | 7 | | 2 |
| 5. Other truck combination | 35 | 1 | 18 |
| 6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip. | 1 | | 1 |
| 7. Taxicab | 1 | | |
| 8. Bus | | | |
| 9. School bus | 3 | | |
| 10. Motorcycle | 1 | | 1 |
| 11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle | | | |
| 12. Others and not stated | 4 | | 1 |
| Totals | 1191 | 27 | 397 |
| Special vehicles included above | | | |
| 13. Emergency (including privately owned) | 5 | | 1 |
| 14. Military vehicles | 1 | | |
| 15. Other publicly owned vehicles | 3 | | 2 |

| 13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Dry | 534 | 14 | 192 |
| 2. Wet | 111 | 4 | 39 |
| 3. Snowy or icy | 245 | 3 | 80 |
| 4. Other | 5 | | |
| 5. Not stated | 1 | | |
| Totals | 896 | 21 | 311 |

| 14 KIND OF LOCATION | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Built-up | 30 | | 5 |
| 2. Not built-up | 866 | 21 | 306 |
| 3. Not stated | | | |
| Totals | 896 | 21 | 311 |

| 15 LIGHT CONDITION | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Daylight | 361 | 9 | 107 |
| 2. Dawn or dusk | 55 | 2 | 14 |
| 3. Darkness | 480 | 10 | 190 |
| 4. Not stated | | | |
| Totals | 896 | 21 | 311 |

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports.

| 11 CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Speed too fast | 208 | 6 | 109 |
| 2. Failed to yield right of way | 45 | 2 | 12 |
| 3. Drove left of center | 22 | 1 | 5 |
| 4. Improper overtaking | 13 | 1 | 4 |
| 5. Passed stop sign | | | |
| 6. Disregarded traffic signal | 8 | | 3 |
| 7. Followed too closely | 10 | | 4 |
| 8. Made improper turn | 8 | | 2 |
| 9. Other improper driving | 11 | | 4 |
| 10. Inadequate brakes | 8 | | 4 |
| 11. Improper lights | 4 | | 3 |
| 12. Had been drinking | 28 | 6 | 10 |
| Totals | 365 | 16 | 160 |

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# SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

**SUMMARY REPORT OF** Rural **ACCIDENTS** **PERIOD** November 1968

| Weather | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Not stated | | | |
| 2. Clear | 641 | 16 | 231 |
| 3. Raining | 48 | 2 | 14 |
| 4. Snowing | 108 | 1 | 34 |
| 5. Fog | 21 | | 8 |
| 6. Other | 78 | 2 | 24 |
| Total | 896 | 21 | 311 |

| Character of Road | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Not stated | | | |
| 2. Straight road—level | 504 | 12 | 171 |
| 3. Straight road—hillcrest | 31 | | 9 |
| 4. Straight road—on grade | 121 | 4 | 41 |
| 5. Straight road—not stated | | | |
| 6. Curve—level | 88 | 4 | 32 |
| 7. Curve—hillcrest | 14 | 1 | 1 |
| 8. Curve—on grade | 113 | | 47 |
| 9. Curve—not stated | 25 | | 10 |
| Total | 896 | 21 | 311 |

| Occupation of Driver | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Professional or business man | 112 | 1 | 36 |
| 2. Farmers or farm laborers | 123 | 5 | 34 |
| 3. Students | 240 | 2 | 80 |
| 4. Sales persons | 40 | 1 | 15 |
| 5. Commercial drivers | 82 | 1 | 30 |
| 6. Military personnel | 26 | | 11 |
| 7. Housewives & domestic servants | 104 | 4 | 42 |
| 8. Retired & pensioners | 40 | 1 | 14 |
| 9. All other workers | 396 | 12 | 129 |
| Total | 1163 | 27 | 391 |

**The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only**

| Driver Training | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Not stated | 53 | 7 | 17 |
| 2. Received classroom training in school | 6 | | 4 |
| 3. Received behind the wheel training | | | |
| 4. Received both classes of training | 159 | | 57 |
| 5. No driver training | 662 | 20 | 269 |
| Total | 880 | 27 | 347 |

| Driver Sobriety | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Not stated | 2 | 1 | |
| 2. HBD—obviously drunk | 17 | 3 | 4 |
| 3. HBD—ability impaired | 40 | | 23 |
| 4. HBD—ability not impaired | 17 | | 5 |
| 5. HBD—not known if impaired | 77 | 4 | 46 |
| 6. Had not been drinking | 664 | 13 | 238 |
| 7. Not known if drinking | 63 | 6 | 31 |
| Total | 880 | 27 | 347 |

| Road Defects | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Not stated | | | |
| 2. Defective shoulders | 9 | | 3 |
| 3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps | 3 | | 3 |
| 4. Loose material on surface | 45 | 2 | 20 |
| 5. Under construction or repair | 11 | | 5 |
| 6. Surface oily, slippery when wet | | | |
| 7. Other | 2 | | 1 |
| 8. No defects | 603 | 19 | 243 |
| Total | 673 | 21 | 275 |

| Seat Belt Information | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Not stated | 129 | | 22 |
| 2. Equipped with in use | 192 | 1 | 59 |
| 3. Equipped with not in use | 396 | 10 | 152 |
| 4. Not equipped with | 446 | 16 | 158 |
| Total | 1163 | 27 | 391 |
| 1. Not stated | 432 | 2 | 93 |
| 2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj. | 264 | 12 | 166 |
| 3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury | 107 | 1 | 50 |
| 4. SB did not or could not have helped | 360 | 12 | 82 |
| Total | 1163 | 27 | 391 |

| Additional Accident Facts | All Accidents | Fatal Accidents | Injury Accidents |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Accidents involving a HMV | 393 | 12 | 177 |
| 2. Accidents not involving a HMV | 280 | 9 | 98 |
| 3. Not stated | | | |
| Total | 673 | 21 | 275 |
| 1. Not stated | 48 | | 16 |
| 2. Exceeding stated speed limit | 95 | 9 | 52 |
| 3. Exceeding safe speed limit | | | |
| 4. Exceeding safe speed limit Not exceeding legal speed limit | 23 | | 11 |
| 5. No speed violation | 733 | 18 | 273 |
| Total | 899 | 27 | 352 |
| 1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination | 17 | | 9 |
| 2. Hit & run accidents | | | |

JULY
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# STATE OF MONTANA

## Monthly Summary
## of

# TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS AND FATALITIES

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